



IBMS: Certifying the finest healthcare providers in the world

# International Board of Medicine and Surgery

PATIENT SAFETY/ PROFESSIONAL INTEGRITY

## Newsletter

Certified physicians, surgeons, and dentists have demonstrated an active national license and specialty certification.

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IBMS UPGRADES WEBSITE: [www.ibms.us](http://www.ibms.us)

IBMS affiliates with three independent websites contracted to highlight IBMS registered members.

Nitesh Jain, IBMS VP of Computer Affairs, will be coordinating the efforts to promote these registered members.

### Checkout

[www.medivacation.com](http://www.medivacation.com) [www.emedivacation.com](http://www.emedivacation.com)  
[www.healthtravelservices.com](http://www.healthtravelservices.com)

4th Quarter IBMS Advisory Board Telephone Conference...UPCOMING

IBMS is expanding relations in:

1. El Salvador through IBMS Advisory Board member, Dr. Araujo.
2. India through IBMS Advisory Board member, Dr.

Dear Listees and Certified Members of the International Board of Medicine and Surgery, John Lloyd, of Tampa, Florida, since February, 2010, has been the Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of the International Board of Medicine and Surgery.

"John Lloyd is a dedicated and talented leader with leadership experience in the private and public arena. His leadership skills and commitment are evident to all who meet him."

David P. Kalin, MD, MPH, Executive Director, IBMS

### IBMS to COSTA RICA

During September, 2010, John Lloyd, Executive VP and CEO of the International Board of Medicine and Surgery visited with top healthcare professionals and leaders of Centers of Healthcare Excellence (Hospitals and Clinics) in Costa Rica.

John Lloyd visited several of Costa Rica's Centers of Healthcare Excellence including top hospitals accredited by the Joint Commission International, such as, CIMA, Clinica Biblica, Hospital Catholica, the International Dental Clinic, Centro Medico

Sharma.

3. Mexico through IBMS Advisory Board member, Dr. Lazo.

4. China through Affiliated Healthcare Travel Associate, Dr. Nan Li.

5. Costa Rica through IBMS Advisory Board member, PROMED, Dr. Cortes.

**IBMS planning for Barcelona, Spain.**

**IBMS seeking 15 more advisory Board members from around the world.**

Medical Tourism Association Congress IBMS certification rates still in effect.

**IBMS** helps coordinate patient care between **Dubai** and **Tampa**.

## Featured Article



**John Lloyd, Executive VP, CEO, IBMS**

REPORT FROM: Medical Tourism Association's 3rd Annual World Medical Tourism & Global Healthcare Congress

The official **Medical Tourism Association (MTA) 3rd Annual Congress during September, 2010, Beverly Hills, California USA**, was exciting and beneficial for the **International Board of Medicine and Surgery (IBMS)** mission.

The **MTA's** theme, Progress in Motion, was appropriate as **IBMS** continues to gain traction in the evolving medical tourism industry.

Through the phenomenal workshops and networking opportunities **IBMS** achieved the overall goals of increased awareness and support as medical tourism industry leaders embraced **IBMS** and pledged a commitment to the **IBMS** mission of patient safety and professional integrity.

De La Vison, Clinica De Cerugia De Plastics and several other fine centers.

**Drs. Alfaro** and **Oscar Suarez**, plastic surgeons and certified members of **IBMS** at **CIMA**, the first hospital to be certified for quality processes by the **Ministry of Health in Costa Rica** and top destination for medical tourists welcomed **Mr. Lloyd**.

At **Clinica Biblica**, Dr.

**Jorge Cortez**, **IBMS**

**Board of Advisory member**, **PROMED**,

reviewed the clinic's establishment in **1929** by American missionaries

and growth into a high-quality medical facility with a dedicated medical

tourism department,

fluent in English and Spanish and overall capacity for 120 in-patients and 5000 out-patients per day.

The **International Dental Clinic** is the professional office of **Dr. Marco A. Muñoz Cavallini**, **DDS**, certified **IBMS** member, a Costa Rican certified prosthodontist and implant expert, who in conjunction with another surgeon, was the first dentist to place a dental implant in **Costa Rica**



Dr. Marco Muñoz Cavallini, DDS, San Jose Costa Rica

experience in Implant Dentistry.



Dr. Jorge Cortes, Clinica Biblica, San Jose, Costa Rica with John Lloyd. IBMS

and since has placed and restored over 11,000 dental implants since 1980 with more than 41 years in Dental Practice and 29 years of

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The newly designed **IBMS** brochures and video replay by **Dr. David P. Kalin, Executive Director**, as well as networking and workshops though beneficial and productive were not maximized as **IBMS** was overwhelmed with requests for one on one meetings. A greater presence of **IBMS Advisory Board** members for future events is essential.

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**Dr. Vijay Sharma, MD, India, IBMS Advisory Board** member represented **IBMS** in rare fashion. Not only did he speak on the "Challenges and Opportunities within the Medical Travel Industry", **Dr. Sharma** was also instrumental in receiving commitments from several hospitals to certify their physicians and affiliate their facilities.

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**Dr. Prem Jagyasi, UAE, IBMS Advisory board** member, was in full support of the **IBMS** campaign and is playing a key development role in the listing and certification of physicians, surgeons, and dentists in the **United Arab Emirates**.

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The **International Board of Medicine and Surgery's** long relationship since inception with the **Medical Tourism Association (MTA)** is key to the **IBMS** mission of patient safety and professional integrity.

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We need the support of all **IBMS** members to petition the **MTA** to extend their membership list with **IBMS**, as we lead by example.

### Quick Links

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MedNetBrazil and

**Costa**

**Hospital Catolica** was represented by **Dr. Christian Rivera** who showed the newly remodeled facilities including **La Posada El Convento**, a highly rated hotel, located within the confines of the medical facilities. At **Centro Medico De La Vision** we were welcomed by **Dr. Filkier**, othamlogist, and at **Clinica De Cerugia De Plastics** by **Dr Chavarria**.

### IBMS to Dallas, Texas and CERTIFIES

**Pine Creek Medical  
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States

**Donald Buford, MD and Donald Ozumba, MD, orthopedic sports surgeons**

**Pine Creek Medical Center** is a private, physician-managed hospital serving the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex and surrounding communities. The hospital was founded in 2003, by a group of physicians interested in bettering the health of the community and their patients through active physician-patient-family interaction in the personalized delivery of care. The facility features state-of-the-art diagnostic capabilities and specializes in minimally invasive procedures.

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As a member of the **INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY (IBMS)** you will:

Be among the first to receive patient referrals from throughout the world with our Board approved **Affiliated Healthcare Travel Associates**.

Receive access to coordination of pre and post medical evaluation/treatment for your patients from other Board



**Healthcare errors, a growing cause of morbidity and death worldwide, are leading to increased world-wide attention to this problem.**

- That errors occur in the delivery of healthcare is not surprising, as this is one of the most complex activities ever undertaken by human beings.

- Many of these healthcare errors are the direct result of unlicensed individuals practicing medicine, surgery and/or dentistry.

- Assurance that the global healthcare provider is qualified to treat a particular problem and potential complications is critical.

- Traveling abroad for medical treatment is stressful for patients and their families. One's best laid plans may go awry, causing a patient's judgment to become impaired, and making the patient vulnerable to the vagaries of the global healthcare environment.

- Medical/surgical/dental treatment abroad is unregulated, and has become a potential multibillion dollar market with low barriers to entry, potentially attracting individuals without an ethical frame of conduct who are merely seeking to profit by this unregulated space.

- New medical/surgical/dental procedures and treatments, coupled with potential complications

approved members.

Receive direct world wide access to other Board members to receive up-to-date expert medical opinions on new and innovative techniques.



**IBMS** certification package benefits include:

- Official certificate of **IBMS**
- Listing on **IBMS** website with link to an existing professional website or page
- Access to coordination of pre and post medical evaluation and/or treatment
- IBMS affiliated healthcare travel associates to coordinate patient arrangements
- Relationship with a U.S. multi-specialty physician organization facilitating U.S. board certification

**All certified physicians, surgeons, and dentists, please update national licensure and specialty certification at [online membership](#) or [login](#).**

Make sure to upload a copy of your current medical license and specialty certification in order to preserve your certification and enhance credibility of the **INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY**.

If you have difficulty uploading your current license and/or specialty certification, please fax the document directly to the attention of Dr. Kalin (USA, 813.925.1932 or email to [drkalin@ibms.us](mailto:drkalin@ibms.us)) or call Dr. Kalin, USA, 813.966.1431.

Please review the article from the Medical Tourism Association Magazine: [IBMS ~ Qualifying Surgeons Worldwide...An Interview with Dr. David P. Kalin, M.D., M.P.H.](#)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT IBMS AND PERSONAL SERVICE WITH ATTENTION TO YOUR NEEDS, CONTACT JOHN LLOYD, Chief Operating Officer, (001) 407.459.7762 or [john@ibms.us](mailto:john@ibms.us)**

Centers of Healthcare Excellence (Hospitals and Clinics), Medical Industry Professionals, and Professional Associations within the Global Healthcare Community are eligible for affiliation with **IBMS**. **Ask for details.**



VISIT SITE

and adverse drug interactions provided by healthcare providers with widely differing backgrounds operating globally through diverse cultural references of authority creates an environment where concerns for patient safety demand transparency of professional integrity with regard to national licensure and specialty certification.

- The International Board of Medicine and Surgery's (IBMS) focus on patient safety and professional integrity is assisting patients in making more informed decisions about their global healthcare providers, and is working to protect these patients from potentially negligent opportunists.

- This process by IBMS can only be accomplished by identifying and registering licensed healthcare professionals whose credentials including, but not limited to current state and/or national licensure, specialty certification and/or hospital affiliation (if applicable) from his/her country of medical training and practice have been reviewed in conjunction with an affidavit of compliance with standards of international medical evaluation/treatment.

These standards of international medical evaluation/treatment include but are not limited to adequate translation services, pre and post medical communication with appropriate transfer of medical records in the language of the hosted patient, screening criteria for either selecting or not selecting an appropriate candidate based on medical history, diagnostic studies and physical evaluation, anticipated detailed procedures for the treatment of minor and/or major complications as a result of medical, surgical and /or dental procedures, infection control standards including bio-waste hazards and procedure for discarding used needles, recovery center in a sanitary setting managed by medically competent personnel, and financial indemnification of patient care should complications develop upon patient's return to home country.

One of the fundamental turning points in a potential patient's decision to seek medical treatment abroad is the assurance that potential

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complications will be treated in a seamless professional manner. **Indemnification of complications** either through an insurance company or one's own individual financial indemnification with a physician's network, the treating hospital, another provider or through a pre and post medical care treatment network for potential medical tourism complications, and a pledge to communicate clearly with the patient's medical professional in home country is an essential component in creating this assurance, and has been adopted as a criteria for **IBMS Gold certification**.

- With **standards and a pledge** to abide by professional medical ethics, **IBMS** looks to expand the legitimacy of the physicians, surgeons, and dentists in the international global healthcare community.

**The International Board of Medicine and Surgery (IBMS)** is taking the responsibility of registering global healthcare professionals treating patients traveling across borders as a basis for the establishment of patient safety and professional integrity.

If medical tourism is to become a self-regulated industry, to overlook the urgency of the need to establish standards for patient safety within this industry and global healthcare community would be a travesty.

- Physicians, Surgeons, Dentists, Other Healthcare Professionals, Centers of Healthcare Excellence (Clinics and Hospitals), Medical Tourism/Travel Companies, and Professional Associations within the global healthcare community must continue to protect this opportunity for patients, healthcare providers, and others who participate in the medical tourism industry.

- To create an environment of transparency and legitimacy, protect patient safety, and enhance professional integrity, the **International Board of Medicine and Surgery (IBMS)** needs the support of all leaders in the medical tourism industry to encourage global healthcare professionals to register with **IBMS**.

- **IBMS**, working with our partners in the global healthcare community, will support our mutual



goals of patient safety and professional integrity,  
and guard them from becoming compromised.

## Enabling the public to make informed decisions

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